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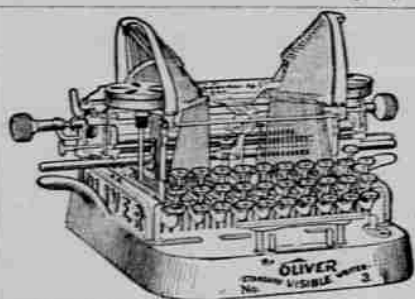
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COUNTY CONVENTION.

Santa Cruz County Democrats
Name a Winning Ticket.

The Border Widette Reporter's Inter-
esting Story of the Most Harmon-
ious Democratic Convention Ever
Held in the County.

At 2 o'clock last Saturday afternoon somebody, I think it was Mark Lulley, yelled something, and a great crowd of staunch Democrats from Nogales and other parts of Santa Cruz county, filed into Marsh's Opera House, the delegates inside the fence. For a while there was nothing doing; the fitful sunlight made a shining mark of Louis Lulley's bald head; while the glasses and the serious demeanor of his friend Saxhang completed a combination that caused the assembly to take off their hats and speak in whispers.

After a time Doctor Purdy, chairman of the county central committee, wearing a dignified expression, well fitting clothes and a cigarette, called the meeting to order. The call for the meeting was read and Henry Levin was unanimously elected chairman.

The Chair made a short and very appropriate speech from a paper which it held in its hand, and after the election of Juan B. Elias as secretary, appointed committees on credentials, on platform and resolutions and on order of business.

Then Chalmers said that the task of drawing up a platform was so extraordinary that it could not be completed in one day, and proposed an all-night session; but this was finally left to the chair who ordered a recess till 3:30.

At the appointed time the delegates filed in again, the various committee men looking worn and tired, the effects of strenuous brain work for the honor of the party. The atmosphere looked blacker, also. Doherty lit another cigar.

The temporary chairman and secretary were made permanent. Purdy of credentials made report showing the following delegates present in person or by proxy:

Nogales—E. D. Miller, Dr. H. W. Purdy, Dr. A. A. Doherty, L. Lulley, O. O. Saxhang, Henry Levin.
Calabasas—J. E. Wise.
Tubac—Jose Burruel.
Sopori—Thomas Elias, by J. B. Elias.
Patagonia—Oscar Ashburn, W. T. Powers.
Harshaw—H. B. Fryer, P. J. Sheehy.
Washington—Dennis Coughlin, by P. J. McCarty, T. T. Childers.
Elgin—P. J. McCarty.
Old Glory—J. B. McClanahan, by W. A. O'Connor.
Oro Blanco—John Bartlett, by M. Marsteller.

Lochiel—D. G. Chalmers.
Chalmers read a platform he had brought in his pocket all the way from Lochiel, which was short and sweet, called forth applause and was adopted, although it made no mention of General Jackson.

Here it is:
"We, the Democrats in county convention assembled, reaffirm our belief in the time-honored principles of the great party of the people; our adherence to it for years, battling against our common foe, the arch enemy of the poor, the founding of the trusts, the Republican party.

"We heartily endorse every line of the grand state paper, the platform adopted at St. Louis.

"We ratify the nomination of that grand jurist, that eminent statesman, that pure, incorruptible gentleman, the Hon. Alton Brooks Parker.

"We heartily favor the nomination of that peerless Arizonian, the Hon. Marcus A. Smith and pledge that if elected he can do more to prevent the dastardly attempt to merge our fair territory with New Mexico; that the will of our people will be obeyed to the letter.

"We heartily favor and hereby ratify the nomination of Hon. N. W. Bernard as joint councilman from Santa Cruz and Pima counties, believing the interests of our two counties will be safe in his hands."

O'Connor reported on the order of business and after acceptance the chair announced that nomination for two supervisors were in order.

After Purdy was convinced that the delegates could vote two names at once Childers of Washington Camp proposed R. Farrell of Harshaw, and O'Connor named William Schuckmann of Nogales; Chalmers of Lochiel nominated J. E. Wise of Calabasas.

Mr. Wise said he didn't feel like being beaten just that way, and wanted to withdraw except under certain conditions. Several motions were made and a number of irrelevant remarks and suggestions, which balled up matters for a time, and left the Chair hopeless; but Harry Fryer of Harshaw having "caught a subtle idea by the tail" cleared matters by moving that Schuckmann and Farrell be nominated by acclamation, which was done.

For Probate Judge Lulley proposed W. A. O'Connor and Sheehy named M. Marsteller. Without further nomination the balloting proceeded, Messrs. Miller and McCarty as tellers, resulting in the choice of O'Connor by 13 to 6. Mr. Marsteller gracefully moved that the nomination be made unanimous, which was done. Judge O'Connor thanked the convention in a few pleasant words.

For District Attorney Frank J. Duffy was proposed and chosen immediately by acclamation. Mr. Duffy made an impressive speech, promising with his hand on his heart he would do his utmost in behalf of the party and taxpayers. He looked real nice.

For sheriff Pat Sheehy proposed Harry Fryer; Wise named T. J. Turner and the sun came out from behind a cloud. There was a solemn hush as Miller of the curly locks twice counted the votes. His delivery was excellent and he handled his subject in an able manner.

Doherty again struck a match. Turner received the nomination by 13 to 6 and his few remarks called forth much applause.

For recorder Fryer proposed J. B. Elias. He was nominated by acclamation. Phil had made his escape from the hall at about 10 o'clock.

For Treasurer Mr. Theodore Gebb was proposed by Miller and nominated by acclamation. He acknowledged the compliment, amid much applause.

For surveyor Fryer nominated Jack Straith, McCarty nominated Frank Fitch and Sheehy nominated Captain Perkins. The ballot resulted: Perkins 7, Straith 2, Fitch 10, and Fitch was declared the nominee and expressed his thanks.

For assembly Doherty proposed Oscar Ashburn. He was nominated by acclamation on motion of Sheehy and responded.

For Nogales precinct No. 1, C. J. Gildea was chosen justice of the peace and Charley Lopez, constable.

Delegates from the various precincts were appointed county central committee men.

The central committee was empowered to fill any vacancies that may occur on the ticket, whether by death resignation or other cause.

When it was all over the delegates with smiling faces followed our district attorney to a place across the way, and thus ended a very harmonious and satisfactory meeting of the Democracy. The "reception" which followed however, was continued by the process at various and sundry places "both in the United States and foreign countries" for some hours thereafter.

"Democrats Will Save Us."

Mr. Bullard, of Phoenix, is given by the Enterprise as authority for the following:

Mr. Fowler, republican nominee for congress, had just returned from Washington. He entered the office of a well known Phoenix man and exclaimed: "Old boy, God bless the democratic party."

"Why," asked his democratic friend, astonished.

"Because," said Mr. Fowler, "I've just come back from Washington, where the republicans have passed a joint statehood bill in the house, and our only salvation now lies with the democrats in the senate. And they will save us."

The Los Angeles Times has made a most vicious assault on Mark Smith. The Times has been the steadfast opponent of statehood for Arizona, and it is not surprising that this paper should assail the man who is the most conspicuous advocate of statehood at the right of self government for the people of Arizona.—Douglas International.

Mark Smith.

The Louisville Courier-Journal of recent date has this to say:

The Democrats of Arizona have nominated as Delegate to Congress Marcus A. Smith who formerly represented the Territory, his name being presented to the convention by Congressman J. F. Wilson, the sitting Delegate. Mr. Smith is a native of Kentucky, who removed to Arizona in 1881, and has served twelve years in Congress. In accepting the nomination he announced as the only issue in the campaign "the free independent, separate, single Statehood for Arizona without entangling alliance with other Territory or people whatever." He charged the Republican party with having violated its pledges in failing to admit Arizona as a State, and in supporting a bill in the House last winter for her joint Statehood with New Mexico. The convention passed strong resolutions in favor of the national Democratic ticket and platform. It also protested against the proposed action of the Republican party in the matter of Statehood as against the universal opposition of the people of the Territory. From Mr. Smith's prominence in Congress when a member, his name has been indicated as a prospective Senator when Arizona shall become a State.

B. A. Fowler.

An exchange says: Hon B. A. Fowler, Republican candidate for Delegate to Congress was in Washington last winter when the bill annexing Arizona to Dona Ana county, New Mexico, was being hatched by the Republicans of the House committee on Territories. Did Mr. Fowler go before the committee and protest? Not on your life. He was not under pay for service of that kind. He was working in Washington but he had no retainer in his pocket on the Statehood question, and he refused to be a philanthropist. He would not go before the committee though invited.

Proclamation of Election.

WHEREAS, Under the provisions of Title twenty, chapter 1, of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, entitled "Elections" it is provided that there shall be held throughout the Territory, upon the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1902, and every two years thereafter, a general election for a delegate to Congress, members of the Legislative Assembly, and county and precinct officers; and

WHEREAS, It is further provided, that at least thirty days before each general election, the Governor shall issue a Proclamation of Election, under the Great Seal of the Territory, and transmit copies thereof to the Clerks of the Board of Supervisors of the counties in which such elections are to be held; such proclamation to contain a statement of the time of the election and the offices to be filled, and the offer of a reward in the form prescribed.

Now THEREFORE, I, Alexander O. Brodie, Governor of Arizona, in pursuance of the duty enjoined upon me, do hereby order a general election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1904, and the offices to be filled at such election I do hereby designate to be as follows, to-wit:

One delegate to the Fifty-ninth Congress of the United States.

Twelve members of the Council of the Legislative Assembly of Arizona, and twenty-four members of the House of Representatives of the Legislative Assembly of Arizona, apportioned agreeably to existing laws as follows:

Apache county, one member of the Council, and one member of the House of Representatives; Cochise county, one member of the Council, and one member of the House of Representatives; Gila county, one member of the Council, and one member of the House of Representatives; Graham county, one member of the Council, and two members of the House of Representatives; Maricopa county, one member of the Council, and four members of the House of Representatives; Mohave county, one member of the Council, and one member of the House of Representatives; Pima county, one member of the Council, and one member of the House of Representatives; Pinal county, one member of the Council, and one member of the House of Representatives; Santa Cruz county, one member of the Council, and one member of the House of Representatives; Yavapai county, one member of the Council, and one member of the House of Representatives; Yuma county, one member of the Council, and one member of the House of Representatives.